IN THE ABSTRACT:

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REMARKS

Careful consideration has been given by the applicants to the Examiner's comments and rejection of the claims as set forth in the outstanding Office Action, and favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application, as amended, is earnestly solicited.

Applicants note the Examiner's minor objections to the specification, and appropriate amendatory action has been taken to provide the correct terminology on Pages 5, 6 and 14 of the disclosure.

Furthermore, pertaining to the objections to the Abstract of the Disclosure, applicants have cancelled the Abstract without prejudice and herewith submit, on a separate sheet, a new Abstract in conformance with the U.S. practice, with the Abstract comprising a single paragraph of less than 150 words in length.

Pertaining to the rejection of the claims under 35 U.S.C. 103(a), applicants note the rejection of the various claims as being allegedly unpatentable over Darby, et al. U.S. Patent No. 6,130,726, and also the rejection of Claim 6 as being unpatentable over Darby, et al. further in view of Huang, et al. U.S. Patent No. 6,437,836, as extensively detailed in the Office Action.

Accordingly, upon careful consideration of the art, applicants respectfully submit that the claims clearly and unambiguously disclose patentable subject matter which distinguishes over the cited art, irrespective as to whether the latter is considered singly or in combination.

In particular, the present invention provides for the novel aspect that it is possible to display an electronic program guide (EPG) in a digital broadcast while concurrently providing